

Barracks, Auxiliary Announce Dinner Wednesday at Club

Veterans of World War I barracks and auxiliary, will hold a potluck dinner Wednesday, September 17, at the Girls' Community club at 6:30 p.m.

Members are reminded to take their own table service. Entertainment committee includes Mrs. A. L. Schrack, Mrs. Thomas Lynch, and Mrs. J. P. Graham.

A department meeting of the auxiliary will be held in Salem September 27 at 7 p.m. in the VFW hall. Local members planning to attend should make reservations with Mrs. Muriel Jardine, 345 22nd st., S.E., Salem. Dinner at 6 p.m. will precede the meeting.

Doctor Addresses Nurses' Meeting; Program Planned

Dr. John Brandenburg addressed a meeting of Oregon Nurses' Association at Rogue Valley Memorial hospital Tuesday evening. He discussed hazards in the use of certain medications.

Elected as delegates to the state convention October 8-9-10 in Portland were Mrs. Stella Demo, Mrs. Loree Phillips, Mrs. Margaret Harshman and Mrs. Ada Martin.

The public health section of the association will sponsor an evening program for nurses November 18. Dr. Amos Churchill of Portland will be the featured speaker. His topic will be "Tuberculosis today and tomorrow."



Mr. and Mrs. George W. Van Buskirk, who have lived in southern Oregon for many years, were honored at a reception August 31 which observed their golden wedding anniversary. The party was held at the home of a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hegler, Crowson road, Ashland. (Memory Lane photo)

Ashland Couple Honored On Fiftieth Anniversary

Ashland — Mr. and Mrs. George W. Van Buskirk, 586 C street, were honored August 31 at an open house at the home of a daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hegler, Crowson road, on their golden wedding anniversary.

Yellow gladiolus, mountain

Institute Announced

The annual Mission Institute sponsored by Medford United Council of Church Women will be held at Eastwood Baptist church Friday, September 26, beginning at 10 a.m. Mrs. Wayne Troxell, chairman for the day, states that a covered dish luncheon will be served at noon and those attending are asked to take hot dishes and salads. Each is to bring her own service. All interested women of the valley are welcome to attend, according to the announcement.

The morning will be devoted to workshops and, various books which have been chosen by local churches for fall and winter study will be briefed. A speaker will be presented for the afternoon session and music is also scheduled for the afternoon.

Among the churchwomen who will brief the study books will be Mrs. William Piper, Mrs. William Ricken, Mrs. Fred Daugherty, Mrs. George Roseberry, Mrs. Grace Pearson and Mrs. John Reed. A nursery will be provided for the day.

Potpourri

Every time we go to a style show—which is often—we wonder about fashion. Why do women of the western world wear skirts to their knees one year and dragging around their ankles a couple of years later? Why are shoulders sometimes padded so every woman looks like a football player in uniform, and then suddenly sloping shoulders and a droopy look come into fashion? Why is the waist this year either under the bust or down around the hip bones, instead of where it belongs?

Fashion doesn't make sense—or does it? An Englishman by the name of James Laver thinks it does, and sometimes predicts changes to come. Ten years ago Mr. Laver wrote a letter to his daughter, just 10 years old, and said "When you are 20 you will have no waist, your skirts will be short and you will cut off most of your hair." Ten years later she was wearing a brief chemise and a cropped hair-do. Mr. Laver, who is Keeper of Prints and Drawings at London's Victoria and Albert museum, spends his days poring over pictures in the museums and as a result has become one of the sharpest fashion historians in the world.

Last summer Mr. Laver visited New York and spoke for fashion reporters. Among other things, he told the reporters that sex and history motivate style changes. About every 10 years, he said, "people become bored with any part of woman's figure which has been emphasized by current fashions. It's all subconscious, even with designers. We've had bosoms and waists for the last decade or more. Now women are buying no-waisted sacks and chopping off their hems to show their legs. Next time it may possibly be posteriors or abdomens, probably abdomens."

The fashion historian said he decided that the tiny-waisted, long-skirted look would be followed by the chemise because of history. "During periods following great social upheavals women threw away their corsets, put their waists in the wrong place and cut off their hair. Just look at the Empire Period after the French Revolution. Or the Twenties after World War I. This time it has taken longer—it's 13 years since the end of World War II."

He added that "men always think new fashions are hideous; but how foolish women would be to take them at their word."

As for the Empire look (and local style show commentators have affected the French pronunciation of "om-peer" as well as "bloos-on") it stems back to 1795 after the French revolution. After the aristocracy had fled, with their bell-shaped skirts and towering wigs, French women began to wear thin, white muslin gowns that fell straight from a narrow sash tied under the bosom. Copying, in turn, the ancient Greeks, most of the dresses had a long train which was carried over the arm, exposing the leg to the knee.

Agnes Ash of the New York Times, writing of the Empire-Greek-Roman look, declared that the most advanced Greek goddesses went even further and greased their bodies so that the flowing gown would cling.

As for uncovering the leg (or other parts of the figure) the New York Times reported this week that models wearing clothing designed by Capucci "were lucky if their kneecaps were even one-quarter covered" and that "most designers were reckless in their approach to necklines." The reporter added that a Balmain dinner dress was "not for tailored tastes, lanky figures or overly shy women."

Medford clothes buyers apparently aren't too sure that local women will accept some of the fall styles. Only one trapeze dress was shown at the Junior Service league show last week, and none of the huge, furry hats which are advertised in the big cities. On the latter, price might be a factor, since they range up to \$75.

Since September is very much "in between" in Medford, a party like the luncheon-shows last week finds Medford women wearing both summer and fall clothes and hats ranging from white cotton to black velvet.

Our hostess was Mrs. C. H. Herman Jr., who looked very smart in a black dress with matching coat of nubby material and a little black hat. These were accented by pearl earrings and a long rope of pearl beads, very fashionable this fall. Also at our table was her sister-in-law, Mrs. Donald B. Whalin who had a new chapeau for the luncheon, a velvet beret type hat of autumn orange which contrasted with her dark wool frock.

Little Martha and Gretchen Schnittger were very much a part of the ceremony when their mother, Jane, was married recently to Richard Graham Kirchner. The two little girls gave their mother in marriage. When the minister asked "who gives this woman to be married?" the small girls spoke up in unison "we do."

Since the bridegroom, known to Shakespearean festival fans for years as Richard Graham, has been a lay reader in Trinity Episcopal church, Ashland, we asked why the rites were held in St. Mark's church here. Good reason—the annual rummage sale was being held and Trinity's rector, the Rev. John L. Thompson, didn't think the two events would combine well in one building.

We don't understand item of the week: Changing Times reported recently that "Westinghouse has announced a spectacular deal under which the firm agrees to sponsor a weekly hour-long 'Westinghouse Desilu Playhouse' plus seven one-hour Desi and Lucy specials. Total cost, \$11,000,000 (that's right, 11 million dollars.) And earlier we read that Edward R. Murrow's splendid documentary program has been discontinued because it was too expensive.—O.S.

Save all those washing instructions tags that come with the garments you buy and post them on a bulletin board near your washing machine. Or staple the string to an index card and file them in a recipe box.

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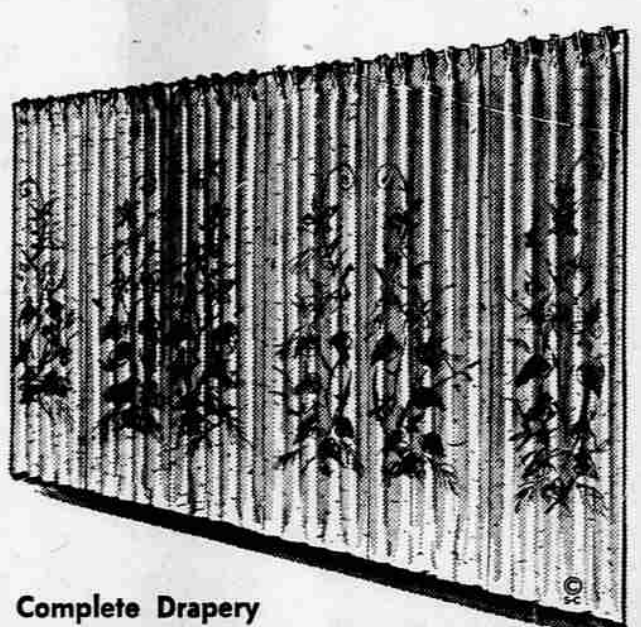
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**Student Leaves For California**

Miss Jerry Lynn Callahan has left Medford for Mount St. Mary college, Los Angeles, where she is enrolled in a nursing course. Miss Callahan is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Callahan, 128 Highland drive, Medford.

Before she left for the south Miss Callahan was honored at a farewell party given by nurses at Sacred Heart hospital who worked with the student during the summer. The party was held in the garden of the Callahan home.

Miss Anna Streed To Be Speaker For Temperance Union

Woman's Christian Temperance union will meet at 2 p.m. September 18 at the Girls' Community club. Mrs. Sherman Moore will sing and the Rev. Edwin Cox will give the devotionals.

Miss Anna Streed will talk on "Health Hazards of Insecticide Sprays." Refreshments will be served.

Extension Units To Hold Sessions

Four home extension units have scheduled meetings. Meeting Wednesday, September 17, are the Central Point unit at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. George Dunphy, 911 West Tenth street, Medford, and the Rogue Elk group. The latter will meet at the home of Mrs. Ranald Axell on Laurelhurst road.

Members attending are reminded to take their own table service.

The Lone Pine unit will hold a dessert luncheon Thursday, September 18, at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Gary Conrad, 1149 Leland avenue.

All interested women in the Grandview — Lone Pine area are invited to attend.

The Phoenix unit will meet September 25 at 1 p.m. at the Phoenix First Presbyterian church fireside room. New officers will be installed and plans made for the year's work. All interested women are invited to attend.

Bethel 14

International Order of Job's Daughters, Bethel 14, will meet Wednesday, September 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic temple. Plans for a food and rummage sale will be made.

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